

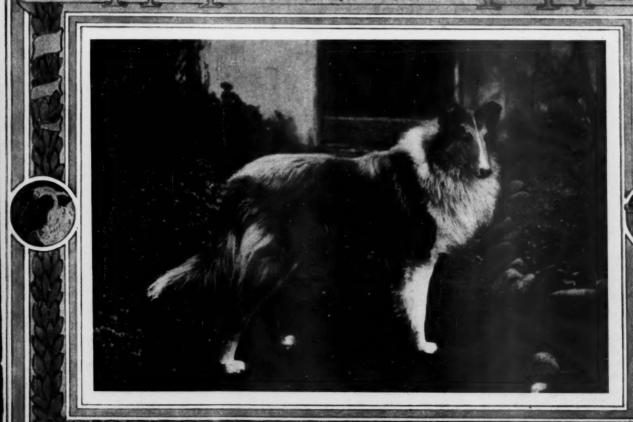
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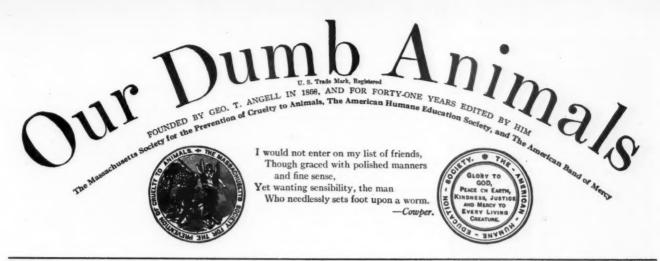
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This picture is a reproduction of the painting, entitled, "WHY NOT?" by W. L. Duntley, the well-known painter of horses. It has been reproduced in full color on a handsome card, seven by five and a half inches, and is being sold for twenty-five cents for the benefit of our Angell Memorial Hospital and the home of our two Societies.

Who will dare say, in the face of the long years of service rendered by this once noble horse, that one may not ask the question "Why Not?"

Scores of men, scholars and philosophers as well as saints, have believed that death did not end the fidelity and devotion of such servants and companions of man as the horse and the dog.

In the light of the last word concerning life that science has spoken, who may draw the line and say, "Here the human begins and the sub-human ends"?

No one will deny that if the world's millions of faithful horses that have been beaten, starved, worked and driven to death, perish with no reward for their patient service but the sufferings they have endured here on earth, the scales of Justice are horribly out of balance.

However, whether you cherish any such hope or not as is implied in "Why Not?" you will help the Hospital, we are sure, by sending us twenty-five cents in stamps for one of these pictures. What could be better than to mail to a man cruel to his horse one of these pathetic cards?



"WHY NOT?"

The Moan of the Old Horse

"Master, it was long ago you rode me; Master, you were careful of me then;

Never was there anyone bestrode me Equal to my master among men.

When we flew the hedge and ditch together— 'Good lass!'—how it made me prick my ear! Horn and hound, bright steel and polished leather,

Long ago—if you but saw me here!" Pitiless wind and heaving surge,

A fevered foot and a running sore, The siren's shriek for a funeral dirge, And a hobble to death on the further shore. "Master, you were saddened when we parted, Begged of my new master to be kind;

Divers owners since and divers-hearted

Leave me old and weary, lame and blind. Voices in the tempest passing over—

'Good lass!'—I can scarcely turn my head.
Oats and deep-strewn stall and rack of clover.
Long ago—and oh that I were dead!''

Piteous fate—too long to live;
Piteous end for a friend of yore.
Was it too much of a boon to give
A merciful death on the nearer shore?

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THE TRICK DOG

By NELLIE M. COYE

Poor little trick dog, you're tired, I know, Posing all day at the catch-penny show; Straining your muscles at word of command; Fearing the lash, or it may be a hand; Kept from your food till the agony's o'er; Dumb to your torture; no way to implore Freedom or respite. Humanity pleads Out of its largess a balm for your needs. Your little dog heart protests all in vain. Those who applaud you again and again, Clap hands at random and thoughtlessly pay Homage to those who have taught you this

way,—
Trick, if you please, yet you've learned it
with pain;

Patiently bearing the torturing strain.

Never an hour can you roam at your will;—

You have your master's engagements to fill.

Day after day the same stunts you must do.

Up, at a word, a mistake you will rue.

Night finds you hungry, perchance, and ill
fed.

Tired little wanderer, not even a bed Lures you to rest; you must sleep where you

Poor little cur! You're the slave of a man. He must be clothed by your cunning and skill.

You strain your muscles his coffers to fill. But not a penny *l'll* pay for the show, Poor little trick dog,—I pity you so.

CAT HAD RIGHT OF WAY

When traffic was at its height on one of New York's busiest thoroughfares recently and a long line of trucks on either side, moving continuously, made crossing dangerous for all foot travelers, a cat emerged from a produce store with a kitten dangling from her mouth, and essayed to cross the street. Each time she started she had to turn back because of a truck, and her efforts quickly attracted a crowd.

Down from the corner came a policeman. He soon saw what was the matter, and while there was nothing in the traffic regulations to cover the point, it took him only a moment to decide what to do.

Going into the street he raised his hands in the way that truckmen have learned means "Stop." They stopped. The cat, seeing her opportunity, took a firmer hold on the nape of her progeny, and then, holding it high to keep even its curved tail out of the mud, she slowly and deliberately picked her way across and disappeared in a cellar.

SENATOR VEST'S FAMOUS TRIBUTE

NE of the most eloquent tributes ever paid to the dog was delivered by Senator Vest of Missouri, some years ago, and although it has been published in Our Dumb Animals several times since, we are reprinting it once more, in response to many requests. The distinguished Senator was attending court in a country town, and while waiting for the trial of a case in which he was interested, was urged by the attorneys in a dog case to help them. Voluminous evidence was introduced to show that the defendant had shot the dog in malice, while other evidence went to show that the dog had attacked defendant. Vest took no part in the trial, and was not disposed to speak. The attorneys, however, urged him to speak. Being thus urged he arose and said:

"Gentlemen of the jury: The best friend a man has in the world may turn against him and become his enemy. His son or daughter that he has reared with loving care may prove ungrateful. Those who are nearest and dearest to us, those whom we trust with our happiness and our good name, may become traitors to their faith. The money that a man has he may lose. It flies away from him, perhaps when he needs it most. A man's reputation may be sacrificed in a moment of ill-considered action. The people who are prone to fall on their knees to do us honor when success is with us, may be the first to throw the stone of malice when failure settles its cloud upon our heads. The one absolutely unselfish friend a man can have in this selfish world, the one that never cieserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is his dog. A man's dog stands by him in prosperity and in poverty, in health and in sickness. He will sleep on the cold ground, when the wintry winds blow and the snow drives fiercely, if only he may be near his master's side. He will kiss the hand that has no food to offer; he will lick the wounds and sores that come in encounter with the roughness of the world. He guards the sleep of his pauper master as if he were a prince. When all other friends desert, he remains. When riches take wings and reputation falls to pieces he is as constant in his love as the sun in its journevs through the heavens. If fortune drives the master forth an outcast in the world, friendless and homeless, the faithful dog asks no higher privilege than that of accompanying him, to guard against danger, to fight against his enemies, and when the last scene of all comes, and death takes the master in its embrace, and his body is laid away in the cold ground, no matter if all other friends pursue their way, there by the graveside will the noble dog be found, his head between his paws, his eyes sad, but open in alert watchfulness, faithful and true even to death.'

Then Vest sat down. He had spoken in a low voice, without a gesture. He made no reference to the evidence or the merits of the case. When he finished judge and jury were wiping their eyes. The jury filed out, but soon returned with a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff, whose dog was shot; and it was said that some of the jurors wanted to hang the defendant.

NINE DUMB HEROES

There were over four thousand dogs of proud pedigree on exhibition at a recent London dog show, many of them worth thousands of dollars, but none of the aristocrats attracted as much attention as nine four-footed heroes shown together on a bench. Each of the nine had saved human life, and above the stall of each was set forth a brief record of his service to mankind.

Read, on page 185, how to make National Horse Day a success

TRUE TO HIS RECORD

By LOUELLA C. POOLE

With head erect, high-stepping feet, He proudly trotted down the street, With charming, easy grace, As though he spurned the load he drew,— A goodly burden it was, too, Judged by the straining trace.

A wheel broke! Shouts of terror rang Through the chill air! The driver sprang Affrighted to the ground. Back went the horse's ears; dismay Was in his looks, with startled neigh He gave a leap and bound

And made a start as if to run—
Then paused—all gentleness; and one
Who stood and watched the scene
Observed the change that o'er him came—
Not he to thus disgrace his name!
What did the medals mean

He'd won in annual parade?
A work-horse he, stanch, unafraid,
And no ignoble deed
Should mar the record that he bore;
The badge for character he wore! . . .
Ah, no Arabian steed,

Responsive to his master's praise, Showed finer traits, though this one's days Were passed in labor coarse; And many a blooded racer fast For character could not be classed With this young working horse.

A DOG'S LIFE

One of the finest bits of writing about the dog, we have seen in a long time, appears as an editorial under the above caption, in the Philadelphia *Public Ledger* of March 7. We select the more striking paragraphs:

A poet has written in four lines a sermon, taking for his text the query, "Is Thy Servant a Dog?"

"So must he be who, in the crowded street
Where shameless Sin and flaunting Pleasure meet
Amid the noisome footprints finds the sweet
Faint vestige of Thy feet."

A dog looks up to a man as though he were a god—and it is pathetic when we think how many dog-owners come far short of the Olympian stature, and of being worthy of that mute idolatry. Yet a man is the holder of creation's patent of nobility, to be considered a little lower than the angels, and a dog is—only a dog, and cannot emancipate himself from his affiliation with the beasts.

There is something very seriously the matter with people who don't like dogs. It is unfortunate not to care for music, art, poetry, good cooking, sunsets, sea-bathing, and a thousand other things, but not to care for a dog is a fatal flaw in character. If a man is an outcast, the dog becomes a pariah with him, sharing his fortune when it is of the field and the road as he would if it were to live delicately in a palace. "Whither thou goest I will go." There is no question of wages and privileges.

A dog does not criticise, and he is kind. He does not talk at length about his ignorances. He is patient for hours at the foot of a tree where no bird or squirrel ever was caught, but he is perfectly sure that next time it will be his turn. he has moods and misunderstandings, he inflicts them on none but himself (that is, if he is a real and noble dog), and any pain he has he generally hides, néither cowering nor whimpering. His satisfied travel from place to place with no baggage at all perpetually rebukes our fussy migrations with many things. Could a man succeed who could not write nor speak, who owned nothing, who never was given a cent's pay, who never got anything except a pat or a kick, a kind or a savage word? Is it not a tribute to the dog that he is so admirable a creature with so much besides other dogs to fight?

THE HORSE

By COL. W. O. MARKLE, Albion, Mich.

ROM the earliest ages, this noble animal has been the friend and companion of man. Prized for his beauty, loved for his docility, and valued for his strength, he has ever been regarded as the highest in value and importance of all domestic animals. In the remotest ages, as far back as authentic history discloses anything of the life and pursuits of man, we find that the horse

occupied a prominent position in the service of

the human family.

Before the plow and at the harrow he has multiplied the production of the earth an hundred-fold beyond what human strength could have secured. Laboring before the loaded wagon, he has been a steady drudge for man. It is not too much to claim for him that civilization itself would have been shorn of something of its present fair proportions but for the valuable services rendered by this noble animal. What the horse may have been in his natural state is not known, as none at present exist in that condition. The horses which at the present day are found in a wild state in northern Asia and America, are known to be the descendants of individuals formerly domesticated.

The Arabs, who have been long renowned for their attachment to the horse, early showed the extent to which intelligent training could develop his finer qualities and render him the most docile and obedient of animals. It is from the Arabian horse, crossed with Barb, that the best stock of England and America has sprung. The Arab, above all other races of man, understands the value of his horse, appreciates the nobility of his nature and treats him accordingly. They kiss and caress them; they adorn them with jewels and amulets. In short, they treat them almost like rational beings, which are ready to sacrifice their lives for their master's benefit.

We have all heard the story of the Arab who refused all offers made to purchase a beautiful mare on which he rode, declaring he loved the animal better than his own life. The whole estate of this poor Arab of the desert consisted of this most beautiful young filly. When asked if he would sell, and being pressed by poverty and want, he hesitated for a long time, but at length consented on consideration of receiving a very large sum of money, which he named himself. So he was requested to deliver the animal to the French consul at Said, who soon after made his appearance mounted on a magnificent courser, and laid down the gold demanded for the mare. The Arab, clothed in rags, dismounted, looked at the money, then turning his eyes to the mare, said: "To whom am I going to yield thee up? to European, who will tie thee close, who will beat thee, who will render thee misera-ble? Return with me, my beauty, my darling, my jewel, and rejoice the hearts of my children, and he sprang upon her back and sped away toward the desert. So let us treat our horses kindly, gently, for without them words fail to describe the situation.-Extract from International Auctioneer.

TOUCHING DEVOTION

During one of the severe downpours of the rainstorm which visited this section recently, a Susanville woman was discovered making frantic efforts to unlock the front door of her abode, holding, meanwhile, under one arm, a dog that would weigh forty pounds, the hind feet of the animal nearly touching the ground.

"Here, Dan," she cried to a hurrying pedestrian, "hold my dog till I unlock my door."

Such devotion brought tears to a Newfoundland that was passing at the time harnessed by some boys to a swill cart.—Lassen Advocate (California).

HORSES IN FIRE-TRAPS

O one, we believe, familiar with the facts, will deny that the majority of our city horses are put nightly into what are nothing less than veritable fire-traps. When making our preparations to present our bill for the protection of horses in case of fire to the Massachusetts legislature, we had some investigations made, the results of which, in part, we give here. Boston is doubtless no worse in this respect than other cities.

We had forty-five stables taken at random and chosen from representative sections of the city. The largest number of horses in any one of these forty-five stables was 350, the smallest number 16. In these 45 stables there were kept 5102 horses, and in only two of the 45 were there two runways, or places where horses might be led or driven from the floor on which they were stabled.

Twenty-seven of these 45 stables kept horses on the second floor, eighteen on the second and third floors. These eighteen had 2221 on the two floors above the ground floor, and not one of them with more than one runway or one possible means of exit.

One stable was found that in the season has as many as 140 horses, and they are kept on the second, third and fourth floors—one runway

This photograph represents a stable in which one year ago fourteen beautiful draft horses were roasted alive. You can see the incline up which they had to go to the second floor. They had to come down as they went up. The fire started near the exit and none could escape. There was no watchman. Several broke loose from their stalls. One got as far as the door and fell. One had his feet in the manger when found. Two in a box stall were lying, one across the other. It seems incredible that a firm owning horses costing from \$300 to \$450 apiece should ever have put them into such a building. We had seven photographs taken within a few hours after the fire was out, and before the horses had been removed, and while too dreadful for publication, they were used at the hearing before the legislative committee. They tell a story of fright and suffering in a more vivid language than that of words.

It is a difficult task to get a horse out of

a burning stable at the best. The place of safety for him, so far as experience has taught him, is his stall, and once you get him out of that he is very apt to rush back into With it at the first opportunity. every possible precaution taken against fire, and with every provision made to give the horses a chance, there are bound to be many horses burned to death every year. The number in Boston, from such statistics as we can gather, would seem to be not less than 250 that annually lose their lives in burning stables. If our Massachusetts readers are interested in this matter they should write their senators and representatives urging them to support our Bill known as the "Bill for protection of horses in case of F.H.R.

ALWAYS patronize the merchant whose animals are well treated, and not overworked or overdriven. The other merchants who are not so kindly disposed, will soon follow in line. Results: You will be helping the campaign, "Be Kind to Animals," and you will feel better for it, as will the animals.



THE DRUNKARD'S HORSE
By WILL P. LOCKHART

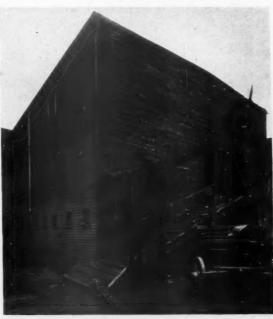
All day I stand in the norther's blast,
The snow, or the whistling sleet,
For my cruel master ties me fast,
To the rack by the village street;
He leaves me here from morn till night—
There's a low rumshop near by.
Then wonder not at my cruel plight,
For a drunkard's horse am I.

All day I stand in the scorching heat— Do you wonder which is worse, The winter time with its snow and sleet, Or the summer and torturing thirst? Ah, often a day and night I stand, And the new day's sun is high Ere he quits the drunken ribald band, For a drunkard's horse am I.

When he mounts, at last, I feel the weight Of the drunkard's hand and heel, The frenzied slaves of a seething hate That revels with lash and steel; Then mile on mile at my utmost speed, Because I must speed or die.
Oh, hard is my way of life, indeed, For a drunkard's horse am I.

Yes, shaggy and gaunt and bony I am, Half lamed by my broken knees; My ruptured lungs bring many a qualm, And my breath is a strident wheeze. I'm hungry and thirsty both night and day, And my shelter's the pitiless sky; For liquor were bartered my corn and hay, For a drunkard's horse am I.

With few to pity and none to save, I am chained to a life of woe, Albeit the brutes that curse and rave, The pleasures of freedom know. Ah yes, my heart will break sometime. Then death. But I wonder why I must suffer thus for a Nation's Crime, Though a drunkard's horse am I.



A TYPICAL FIRE-TRAP

TO A WOUNDED PELICAN

By FANNY C. HARVEY

Alone at sunset bright Upon the quiet beach thou lingerest. Thy comrades all have disappeared in flight To isles by seas caressed.

The waters evermore In motion of the ocean's heaving breast With rhythmic ebb and flow break on the shore. They have no need to rest.

Upon the heaven's blue The airy castles that in cloudland lie Seem to take wing and fade away from view Beyond the searching eye.

The ships have power to move From place to place their wonted course to span Where thou in graceful flight didst often rove Since thy glad life began.

Thou, hurt, now movest not, Who hitherto with ease didst lead the van To nesting-place in some secluded spot Beyond the reach of man.

Thou lingerest alone.

Why dost thou not with thy companions fly

And as of yore by powerful wing be borne In tranquil joy on high?

I fain would see thee dash I n quest of food, parting the waters bright
Which high above thy head in white spray splash,
Giving thee new delight.

With broken wing and spent Thou motionless dost rest, thy rovings o'er. The voices of the sea thy fate lament, Thy helplessness deplore.

With mate to nest no more! Cruel the practised hand that held the gun, Whose master, heartless, left thee on the shore To die at setting sun.

Emblem of charity, From thy own vitals said to feed thy young! So that the world thy slayer's shame must see, How can thy wrong be sung!

THIS MONTH'S ILLUSTRATIONS

The half-tone cut on the front cover of this number shows "Magnet," a sable and white collie of high quality and superior pedigree. is the property of Mr. T. Laidlaw, of Bolton, England. The cut of mare and colt on page 190 is from a print on Wellington Enamo Bromide, negative on a Wellington 'Xtra Speedy Plate.

"The Horse Still King"

The Rider and Driver published in its issue for March 14, twenty-eight replies from team owners of Philadelphia as to their experience with auto trucks compared with horses. These replies appeared in one of the Philadelphia papers. We select fourteen of them, though all were to the same effect:

Kolb Baking Company: "Work 400 horses, six autos; no trouble at all with the horses, and you can't make that assertion too strong; all sorts of trouble with the autos; bought more horses today."
Freihofer Baking Company: "Two hundred and

eighty-four horses, twenty autos; every horse work-ing except three; most of the autos out of repair."

Gimbel Bros.: "Two hundred and seventy-six horses at work, eleven automobiles; haven't had an unsuccessful trip with the horses during the storm, nor a successful one with the autos.

United States Express Company: "Two hundred and fifty-nine horses; no trucks, and best of all, not going to have any; have profited by the experience others are having with their trucks

N. Snellenburg & Co.: "One hundred and twenty-eight horses at work, fifteen trucks. All horse delivery made satisfactory. Many of the trucks had to be unloaded and towed home."

National Biscuit Company: "Ninety-three horses, no trucks. Horses so satisfactory no danger of us substituting them.

D. B. Martin & Co.: "One hundred and twelve horses, fourteen trucks. The trucks absolutely worthless during the snowstorm; horses working

every day."
S. & S. Beef Company: "Twenty-eight horses. All at work; had three trucks, but found them so undependable and so thoroughly misrepresented, returned them

Samuel Bell Sons: "Eighty horses, two trucks. No trouble at all with the horses; trucks very unsatisfactory, get stuck nearly every time they go out in the storm; horses much the better."

Jno. J. Felin & Co.: "Ninety-seven horses, one truck. Horses out every day, truck in the shop every other day; cost as much to run the truck as eight horses.

Peter Cavanaugh: "Eighty horses, one truck. Horses can make delivery anywhere; truck a source of trouble and expense since the day I purchased it. Would that it would only jump overboard or burn itself up without doing any other damage; no more trucks for me, but resolve to stick to horses, as I could always use them to great advantage.

James Irvin: "Two hundred horses. All at work during the storm; no auto trucks, and what is more, won't have any; saw too many good fellows go broke trying to keep them up. You would want to be a millionaire to pay repair bills on them."

Atlantic Refining Company: "Two hundred and fifty horses working, ten auto trucks. Trucks not doing any good, cost so much more to operate than

Adams Express Company: "The auto delivery is much more expensive than the horse-drawn vehicles; found it necessary to equip all our autos with shovels, in order to dig machines out of snow when occasion required.

We reproduce these statements, not because we do not wish that the auto truck could do the work of the draft-horse and free him from his heavy burdens, but because of the falsity of the assertions so recklessly made on every hand that the auto truck is driving the horse out of exist-ence. These statements, and the nonsense written about the vanishing of the horse from our streets, are not only in the face of the testimony of men who know, but also in the face of the government reports as to the number of horses in the country. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Bulletin 575, February 7, 1914, there were in 1880 .21 of a horse to each inhabitant of the United States. In 1900 the percentage was .24, in 1910 it was .22, in 1914 it was .21. But the per capita number of all farm animals has decreased since 1900. In horses the decrease in the past four years has been 3.5 per cent.; in milch cows 4.4 per cent.; in all cattle 19.2 per cent.

Consider such figures as the following and then compare them with the same figures for horses. In 1880 there was .72 of a beef animal to each inhabitant; in 1900, the per cent. was .89; in 1914, .57. In 1880 there was .25 of a milch cow to each inhabitant; in 1900, .23; in 1914, .21

It is greatly to the interest of the auto truck companies to advertise their trucks to the discredit of the horse. It's time the horse men and the harness and carriage men, who report a constantly improving business, combined to give the horse at least a fair chance to be heard. Apropos of all this a large concern doing business in Brookline, Massachusetts, employing several hundred horses, told us that during the recent storm, their three auto trucks collapsed on the road, that horses had to be sent to deliver the goods they had started with and to haul the trucks in under cover.

The horse is here in larger numbers in Boston than ever, and in larger numbers on the farms of Massachusetts than ever (see Farmers' Bulletin 575), and while we could wish him freed from slavery and oppression, we purpose to continue to plan for his presence and his better lot as man's most faithful and valuable servant.

TENT WANTED IN THE SOUTH

The Rev. Richard Carroll of Columbia, South Carolina, one of the most active field workers of the American Humane Education Society, who devotes a large part of his time to delivering humane lectures and holding mass meetings largely attended by both white and colored people, has immediate need of a tent large enough to hold 1500 persons. He has an opportunity to buy such a tent for \$350.

Will not some of our readers help Mr. Carroll and his voluntary assistants to hold these tent meetings on plantations and in various towns of South Carolina, by sending donations for a tent direct to the office of the Society, 45 Milk Street, Boston?



IN QUIET PASTURES

THE ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK By HELEN MINTURN SEYMOUR

Up where the tree-tops toss and waver Each emerald crest, Carols a bird with a rose-red favor Bound to his breast.

Though the rosebud sleeps and will only waken To June's soft word,

To June's soft word, Look! The soul of a rose has taken The form of a bird,

Of a flower-like bird or a red rose gifted With song and wings.

Up where the light and the leaves are shifted, A grosbeak sings.

THE GROSBEAK'S SONG

The song of the rose-breasted grosbeak is the theme of every nature-writer, and all unite in pronouncing it of the highest type. In some respects it resembles that of the robin, but it is thought to have a more refined and musical quality. The description of the song of this bird by Audubon is such a delightful exhibition of the character of the man, showing so perfectly his childlike faith in a Creator, and his absolute absorption in the beauties of nature, that the passage is given in full:

"One year, in the month of August, I was trudging along the shores of the Mohawk River, when night overtook me. Being little acquainted with that part of the country, I resolved to camp where I was. The evening was calm and beautiful, the sky sparkled with stars, which were reflected by the smooth waters, and the deep shade of the rocks and trees of the opposite shore fell on the bosom of the stream, while gently from afar came on the ear the muttering sound of the cataract. My little fire was soon lighted under a rock, and spreading out my scanty stock of provisions, I reclined on my grassy couch. As I looked around on the fading features of the beautiful landscape, my heart turned toward my distant home, where my friends were doubtless wishing me, as I wished them, a happy night and peaceful slumbers. Then were heard the barkings of the watch-dog, and I tapped my faithful companion to prevent his answering them. The thoughts of my worldly mission then came over my mind, and having thanked the Creator of all for His never-failing mercy, I closed my eyes, and was passing away into the world of dreaming existence, when suddenly there burst on my soul the serenade of the rose-breasted bird, so rich, so mellow, so loud in the stillness of the night, that sleep fled from my eyelids. Never did I enjoy music more; it thrilled through my heart, and surrounded me with an atmosphere of bliss. One might have easily imagined that even the owl, charmed by such delightful music, remained reverently silent. Long after the sounds ceased did I enjoy them, and when all had again become still, I stretched out my wearied limbs, and gave myself up to the luxury of repose."

THE BIRDS AT "FORD FARM"

A few miles outside the city of Detroit there is located a farm of about 2000 acres upon which the owner, Henry Ford of automobile fame, has had conditions made as nearly ideal as possible for luring and holding many of the various kinds of birds that visit that latitude.

Bird conservation of this sort has already proved successful and expedient. Mr. Ford's ample estate harbors the birds in winter as well as summer; some species, considered migratory in their habits, apparently being content to remain here where peace and plenty abound, throughout the year. To increase the number of birds is an economic necessity. It is sound public policy viewed from any standpoint.

Wild Neighbors and Ourselves

By ENOS A. MILLS

NE winter a pair of rabbits occasionally played in front of my window. Noticing this, I placed food for them by their playground and in a short time they came daily to feed and to play for me. Lively plays they had. Often they raced in small circles; in the midst of this circling one would stop and stand erect for a moment and then circle while the other stood. They counter - marched and counter leaped; in this leaping they passed midway in the air. With all possible speed they leaped back and forth, each apparently trying to alight in the spot from which the other leaped and then to wheel and instantly leap back. Sometimes one fooled the other by pretending to leap without doing so. Following a turn of this kind they jumped high, almost straight up, and as they faced or met in mid air each tried to grab or to push the other. They danced queerly, slowly rotating; they went through a kind of a stationary gallop, oc-casionally rising on hind legs to advance stiffly two or three steps.

One day they spied me watching through the window. For nearly half a minute they froze and watched me. As I did not move they presently went on with their play. After this we became better acquainted. I stood outside to watch them. At first far off,

to watch them. At first far off, then closer, and finally within a few yards. Toward the close of winter they came regularly into my cabin and ate off the floor. They declined to be touched, but this too could have been accomplished with a little longer acquaintance. But spring days came and they went off into the willows.

After giving years of encouragement, I succeeded in getting the wary Bighorn or mountain sheep to feed, play and at last to lie down close to my cabin. Finally, during a deep snow, I took a photograph of the leader of the flock at introductory nearness. Of course this close picture was secured through the aid of deep snow and the help which came from hunger and the friendship formerly shown. Anyone can make friends with birds and animals. This is made much easier if all the people in the neighborhood are friendly to wild folks.



MR. MILLS FEEDING A CHIPMUNK

Most birds and animals appear to desire human society. Birds leave the seclusion of the forest to build by the roadside where people pass. Other kinds of little feathered folk have deserted old nesting scenes and now nest by human homes. Robins, wrens, and bluebirds confidingly raise their families in the scene where children romp and play.

Birds may come close for better food oppor-

Birds may come close for better food opportunities and increased safety from enemies, but it is also plain that many birds come chiefly to satisfy their desire for human society. It has often been demonstrated that shy, well-fed birds and animals are hoping and waiting for friendly advances on our part. Kindness and food will make most wild folks our friends. Wild neighbors are glad of the opportunity to call on us whether we break bread or not. They are also glad to have friendly calls returned.

Birds and animals have individuality. A recognition of this fact will make acquaintance with wild life more intimate. Food, kindness, also speaking to animals in the universal language, kind tones, are all means of promoting acquaintance, but the recognition of individuality means intimate understanding.

understanding.

Most wild life is wild from necessity and not from desire.
In the past only the



ROCKY MOUNTAIN WILD SHEEP LURED BY SALT

wary escaped with their lives and only the wild left descendants. Many animals have triumphantly survived man's recent increased aggressiveness by becoming more alert and wary; by changing their habits. Formerly master of all, the grizzly used to be ever in sight; now it is difficult to see him. The wolf and the beaver have almost ceased old time daylight activity and now make a living mostly by night.

How little we have known of the real character of animals! Woefully we have misunderstood them. Even today the general opinion of wild animals is that they are undesirable citizens. This bad opinion is based on myths. Stories told by those who did not know or who do not know; careless observers and incompetent witnesses, and hunters who usually are prejudiced and generally not well informed are not good sources from which to form conclusions concerning the character of wild life.

For ages the large carniverous animals have been considered ferocious. Strictly speaking, none of the animals in the United States are ferocious-they do not make wanton attacks on man. Our bears, lions and wolves fight only in self-defense or for the protection of their young. Domestic animals and human beings will also fight under these conditions. In this connection it may be well to remember that each year a number of people are killed and injured by domestic animals, and also by people themselves. Any kind of life may be demoralized. In the Yellowstone a bear is occasionally demoralized by improper feeding and by being harassed by people. Like causes demoralize domestic animals and human also. All this demoralization can be prevented.

It is helpful to be acquainted with wild life. And it is encouraging to see a steadily growing interest in the great outdoors. A deep snow formerly was followed by people old and young turning out to slaughter our neighbors of fur and feathers. But this year thousands of Boy Scouts and other people over the land went far afield during snows not to kill but to feed and to rescue afflicted wild folks.

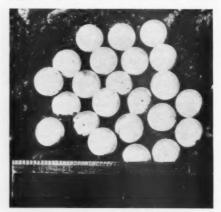
Our national parks and game preserves offer extraordinary opportunities for protecting wild life and also for extending our acquaintance with them. The possibilities of these places have not yet been realized. In addition to the parks and preserves which now exist others are needed. Here is a splendid opportunity for people old and young to render important public service in obtaining more state and national parks.



"THE WARY BIGHORN"

Some Queer-Looking Eggs by FELIX J. KOCH

ITH the exception of the mammalia, the animals which suckle their young, practically every creature dwelling on the earth began life within the walls of an envelope popularly termed an egg. It becomes clear, therefore, that this appellation must do duty for a varied assemblage of objects. Even among the mammalia,



NOT GOLF BALLS, BUT TURTLE EGGS

moreover, there are several egg-layers, a fact of which many people are not aware. These strange creatures are all native of that continent of animal curiosities, Australia, and two of them, the echidnadae, are also found in New Guinea.

These echidnas are queer, ant-eater-like animals, of whose habits comparatively little seems to be known, save that they subsist mainly on insects and that they really do lay eggs. Much more detailed accounts are extant respecting the habits of the duckbill, ornithorhynchus paradoxus, as science terms it. It is not unlike a gigantic mole in shape, save that it possesses a remarkable tail, and feet and bill of duck. Its habits closely resemble those of the common water-rat. Frequenting the streams of southern and eastern Australia, it makes its nest in a burrow in the bank. Here Mother Duckbill lays two white, flexible eggs, about three-quarters of an inch in length. When first hatched, the tiny duckbills are blind and naked, but in process of time they acquire the adult characteristics and

issue from the nest-hole to feed and frolic in the river with their parents.

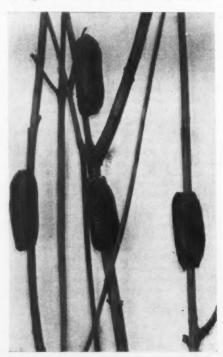
Well-known birds lay strange eggs, the largest being that of the ostrich. But the ostrich's egg would have appeared small beside that of the extinct Madagascar bird, the epyornis, which measured more than thirty inches in its circumference. The smallest bird's eggs are those of the minute species of humming-birds, which are smaller than the eggs of certain kinds of tropical beetles.

Reptiles' eggs are very attractive objects. In the case of crocodiles and many kinds of tortoise they are pale white, and resemble those of birds in shape. But the egg of the gopher-tortoise is remarkable for its very complete roundness. It may well be mistaken for a golf ball. Many snakeeggs are soft skinned, brown as to color, and look, for all the world, like a number of new potatoes.

The eggs of fishes are usually small, soft and inconspicuous. The most remarkable point about them is the extraordinary number laid by the individual. A single cod, for example, lays as many as nine million eggs. But the striking exception to the rule of numerous inconspicuous eggs is seen among the sharks and their allies, the dog-fish. These tigers of the sea lay eggs which are large in size, few in number, and de-posited singly, instead of in masses. These eggs are known to fisherfolk by such names as "prixy purses, fairy purses, or mermaid's purses. They consist of a dark-colored, leathery envelope, and are usually adorned with frills. These appendages serve the purpose of keeping the eggs supported among the branches of seaweeds, thus preserving the embryo from the damage it would sustain were the purse carried hither and thither by the waves.

Frogs, newts and the like, lay fish-like eggs. The Surinam toad, however, has a remarkable way of dealing with his eggs when they are laid. The male takes the eggs, one by one, and imbeds them in the soft skin of the female's back, each egg in a separate shell. Here the eggs remain, being carried about until the young toads hatch. There may be as many as one hundred and twenty in the back of an individual, although from sixty to seventy is the more common number.

The egg-laying habits of the mid-wife frog of Europe are almost equally curious. The eggs are deposited by the female in the form of long chains which may be upward of a yard and a half in length. These chains are taken by the male



GRASSHOPPER EGGS ON STRAWS

and wound around his legs and thighs. Thus equipped, he retires to a hole in the bank of the stream, where he remains in concealment, until the tadpoles are on the point of hatching. Then he enters the water, when his offspring emerge from the eggs and wriggle away to take care of themselves.

Many of the large land snails produce hardshelled eggs, differing little in appearance from

those of birds. The egg cluster of the common whelk is like a rather dingy honeycomb, partially squeezed between the hands. When the eggs are alive and healthy, the form of the young whelks can be plainly seen through the semitransparent substance which envelops them. If the eggs of molluscs are varied in appearance, the eggs of insects are infinitely more so. Moreover, many of them are marvelously beautiful in form and embellishment. The beauty is almost always hidden from the eye, unaided by the microscope, for the eggs of most insects are mere specks, often less bulky than a grain of sand. Who, for instance, would expect to find beauty in the egg of a house-fly? And yet, place several of these eggs beneath a powerful lens and a vision of beauty greets the eye. The eggs of many butterflies and moths-mere atoms, when laid upon a leaf-are equally attractive. In point of beauty the egg of the moth or fly ranks far above that of the ostrich, and even the mite is beautiful under the microscope.

TO A FIELD SPARROW

By ELEANOR ROBBINS WILSON

I hear you as I come along,
My wee brown brother in the grass,
The field's peace in your liquid song
Wells up to greet me as I pass;

Wells up and floods your green domain And calls me like a vesper bell, It bids me join thy prayerful strain And all my humble blessings tell.

I cannot tarry, little friend, My way lies toward the city's heat, But thy song's mem'ry will attend And bless me in the crowded street.

So chant, my chorister of brown, Thy canticle from mead to mead, Nor let thy psalm the thrushes drown, It serves the quiet spirit's need.

I hear you as I pass along,
The day is warm, the wind is spent,
Yet from the fountain of thy song
My spirit sips of thy content.

A MUCH-READ COPY

There is at least one copy of *Our Dumb Animals* out in New Albany, Indiana, that is being put to excellent use. Mrs. Margaret H. Shrader, who receives the magazine, first places it in the juvenile department of the Carnegie Library in New Albany. After it has done good service there, she gives it to her laundress, who reads it and then in turn circulates it among colored friends.

Curiosity of the Sparrow by JOHN T. TIMMONS

HE yellow-hammer is one of our common native birds that depends greatly upon worms from among the roots of the grasses, and it is quite common for these birds, and especially the younger ones, to venture down to the lawn where they will search about and dig industriously for their highly prized morsel of food.

One day last summer a young and rather venturesome yellow-hammer was noticed hopping about the yard at Bird Lawn, the home of the writer in Cadiz, Ohio, and those whose attention had been called to its actions watched carefully to see just what it was doing. The grass was short, and no difficulty was experienced in observing its every movement.

It would hop from place to place, and apparently listen intently, and peer down among the roots of the grass on the lawn.

After several seconds' search it would suddenly dig into the earth and catch a worm. It was not ready to give up the search, for it continued peering into the short grass.

In a few moments there was something besides the yellow-hammer to observe. About a dozen English sparrows had seen the bird searching over the yard, and they immediately came flying down to see what was the occasion of the bird searching about so intently.

They ventured right up to the other bird, and actually crowded it in its movements. The yellow-hammer resented this familiarity, and it would rush at the sparrows and drive them away a short distance, but as soon as the yellow-hammer resumed its search, the sparrows crowded round again.

They were determined to see what the other bird was doing, and in a few moments other sparrows came and actually crowded about the industrious young worker so much that it had to make a heroic effort to frighten the intruders away. It was useless for the yellow-hammer to try to scare the sparrows. They were independent, and determined to learn something new. The worm hunter had to abandon the lawn, and the sparrows closed in about the spot where it had been successful in locating some of the delicate morsels of food. They went through the same manoeuvers as the other bird, and those who watched are positive the sparrows found and devoured worms, and that they learned this from our native bird.

This is proof of the ability of the English

sparrows to imitate our native birds. They can and will catch the insects and worms that other birds destroy, and unless they increase in numbers to such an extent as to outnumber native birds and drive them out of the country, they are sure to become useful.

Curiosity and imitative ability will aid greatly in making the sparrow a useful bird in America.

Cases are reported where sparrows are imitating our birds even in their songs. Of course their efforts are rather feeble at first, but if they are as successful along that line as in others, the time may come when we shall admire and even love the English sparrow.

VALUE OF HAWKS AND WRENS

In a leading editorial in the *Weekly Record*, Stella, Missouri, the writer seeks to dissuade boys from cruelly and thoughtlessly killing insect-eating birds and robbing their nests of eggs and young, and cites these instances which came under his own observation:

We were sitting on the porch one day in the spring. A pair of wrens had built their nest on a beam just overhead and in that nest were four little wrens just out of the shells. The parent birds seemed very happy over the possession of this featherless progeny which did not look as if it could be of any benefit at all to the great, strong man so able to take care of himself and all he owned.

Soon one of the old birds flew into the nest, holding something in its mouth. Curious to know what it was feeding its young on, I looked closely and saw a large, fat cutworm placed in the birdling's bill by the parent. I watched closely and saw the old birds bring in from the near-by garden, twenty-seven large cutworms which were greedily swallowed by the youngsters.

Another experience, not with a songster but with a graceful little sparrow hawk, happened in the winter when a friend was hauling from a near-by field some shock fodder. The shocks of corn were infested with mice, and just as sure as a mouse left the shock and ran any distance, the little hawk shot like an arrow from its perch on a dead tree and, quicker than the eye could flash, had the mouse in his talons. It took only a minute for the eating, when the hawk was ready for another swoop. This was kept up for more than an hour. Some ten or fifteen mice were killed, thereby saving the farmer much corn and other grain.









MARSH HAWK

NIGHTHAWK

SPARROW HAWK

RED-SHOULDERED HAWK

All these species are of great service to the farmer, and all should be protected. The nighthawk and sparrow hawk feed largely on insects, while the other two are great destroyers of rodents. (Photographs from Audubon Society)

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THE WORLD'S BIRDS

"The birds of the world are saved." These words, says Mr. Winthrop Packard, the wellknown authority on birds, in the Boston Transcript, were written by James Buckland of the Royal Colonial Institute of London. It is a wonderful thing to say. The facts, however, seem to warrant the statement. The passage of our own tariff amendment last year which makes it unlawful to bring the feathers of wild birds into this country, except for educational purposes, and the Plumage Bill now before the British Parliament having passed to its third reading by a vote of 297 to 15 (at the time at which we write), a measure much like our own, are tremendous strides in the way of saving the birds of the world.

But more. It seems, to quote Mr. Buckland again in the article referred to above, "The British government has called a congress on the plumage question to meet in London. It is stipulated that each nation attending must come prepared to bind itself to prohibit the export and the import of plumage. Of the European nations, France, Holland and Denmark alone have refused. Germany has not yet given her answer. All the others have agreed to the terms and have

consented to come.

Before this number of Our Dumb Animals goes to press we hope the English measure will have become law. Should there be no failure in this respect, and should the congress called Should there be no failure result in the agreement of the great majority of European countries to stop the importation and the exportation of bird plumage, why, then, shall we not accept with exultation the assertion of Mr. Buckland? We said last year that "Nineteen hundred and thirteen would be remembered as the birds' year." It looks now as if nineteen fourteen would be even more memorable in the history of the race as the Golden Year for the birds of the world. F.H.R.

WATCHING THE RAILROADS

For February the U.S. Department of Agriculture prosecuted seven railroads on 28 counts for violating the law forbidding the carrying of live-stock without food, water or rest for more than 28 hours, or 36 hours when shipper signs special request for the 8 hours' extension. The Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Co. was prosecuted on 18 counts and was fined \$3293.65.

The superintendent of one road deliberately told us once that it was cheaper to pay the fines than keep the law. We have been informed, by one whose investigations should qualify him as an authority, that there are railroads which actually trick unsuspecting shippers into signing requests for the 8-hour extension when the shippers are anxious to have their stock kept within the 28-hour limit. The trick is an easy one and we have been shown how it is done. Let us hope the better day in railroading which is coming will make fraud of every kind the rare exception.

THE U. S. GOVERNMENT'S CRUELTY TO HORSES

"Our serious trouble in the West is the Rural Free Delivery service. Since the parcel post amount has been increased the conditions are unbelievable. To begin with the carriers had poor, overworked horses. Then the roads are almost impassable in the winter. Recently a firm in this city sent six car loads of sugar in Even a fifty pound sacks by parcel post. smelter in this State gets much of its ore the same way. You can judge what the wretched, fagged-out horses have to suffer." We quote these words from a correspondent.

To cheapen the cost of mail delivery by taking the price out of the very blood of defenseless horses is no deed of which a civilized nation can be proud. True, the Government does not own the horses. True, it makes certain rules that one would think were designed to protect the horses. These rules in thousands of cases

are not enforced.

The truth is the Government will not pay a price, in the majority of cases, that will warrant the contractor in hiring or owning a horse really fit to do the work. Too often we denounce the rural mail carrier and threaten him with prosecution, and sometimes as we have done, destroy his horses, when the real offender is the postoffice department at Washington. We think there is an improvement in the mail horses in many cities. Boston is quite above reproach just now because a firm has the contract that will not use bad horses. It is in the country districts that the worst and most pitiable con-The Government should be ditions exist. ashamed of itself in its attitude to the horses that transport its mail.

THE WORK-HORSE PARADE

The Work-Horse Parade event in Boston this year promises to be the most notable in the history of the Association. One can scarcely speak too highly of what has been accomplished in the way of encouraging drivers and team owners to recognize the claims of their horses upon them, and to awaken their pride in their horses. The inspection of stables, the distribution of literature relative to the care and treatment of horses and the general management of stables-these are other phases of the work that have commended themselves to all. New features are to be introduced into the parade this year. We certainly hope the exhibition of U.S. mail horses may lead to a better day for these unfortunate animals. F.H.R.

"OLD BLOCKS"

That was the nickname of Hiram Woodruff, the man who invented, sixty years ago, the overdraw check. It might be said of him as has been said by many a man wading a trout stream, of the inventor of the barbed-wire fenceit's a pity he had not died young. This abomination in the way of a checkrein was invented for an erratic racing stallion known as Kemble Jackson, a horse that had a trick of putting his head down and running. With this device, designed for a special horse with a bad trick, 'Old Blocks" won his race. Immediately ten thousand stupids must have an overdraw check on their horses. F.H.R.

THANKS

Mrs. Amanda E. Stansfield of Ellicott City, Maryland, has requested the undersigned to convey her grateful thanks to those who sent her financial help in response to a public appeal, Mr. Stansfield having lost his life in rescuing a kitten. As one of the children has been very ill, thus depriving the mother of opportunity to work, the donations were doubly acceptable.

MARY F. LOVELL.

THE IMMEMORIAL PREJUDICE

The antipathy against the snake is probably as old as the traditions of Eden. The natural impulse of the vast majority of people upon the first sight of a snake is to crush it.

Yet over against this is the statement, perfectly true, that, "Since the dawn of man, the snake has occupied more of the mind of man than any other creature except self and the snake's first accomplice." In some form or other it has been worshiped in nearly every clime. It would seem as if man had not only feared it, but fallen under the power of some mysterious spell that emanated from it. He has seen it coil itself into a circle. and made it the symbol of eternity. He has watched its cleverness, and used its name as a synonym of wisdom. The history of medicine was long bound up with belief in the healing virtues of the serpent. Signifying guardianship and safety it was pictured, we are told, on the first American flag.

But think of it as we may, loathing it, or pitying it as hated of all men, it must be treated without cruelty. If it must be killed it is entitled to as painless a death as we can inflict. This is not carrying humanity to the point of absurdity. The real man, the best man, is the humane man, and he will cause needless suffering to nothing that lives

But the farmer destroys the snake at his peril. Leaving out of the account the venomous kinds, snakes as a whole are the farmers' friends, because of the field-mice, the gophers, the pernicious insects upon which they feed. Harm they may do. Our strongest charge against them is their fondness for the farmers' good friend, the toad, but like some even of our birds, they do more good than evil, if agriculturalists and gardeners are to be trusted. If our hostility against the snake is simply prejudice, it is time we killednot the snake, but the prejudice.

Once at least every year you should have your horse's teeth examined by a competent veteri-narian. We are constantly coming upon horses that look badly nourished, thin, dejected, when the trouble is with the teeth. The poor animal cannot chew properly his grain. In many cases the jagged edges of the teeth lacerate the inside of the mouth. Remember these voiceless creatures cannot tell you their troubles. Not a few of them they must bear in silence. It is for you to find out if anything is wrong, and to prevent all possible suffering. But don't think that any blacksmith is good enough dentist to care for your horse's teeth. Have the best veterinarian you can get. F.H.R.

AT THE STOCK-YARDS

As an illustration of what it means to have our agents at the stock-yards upon the arrival and departure of all trains having cattle, sheep or swine, the following is told: An express car, loaded with calves, came through recently from New York State. A steam pipe had burst and when the car reached Brighton more than sixty were dead or dying from the scalding steam. Those still alive were killed at once by our men F.H.R. and their sufferings speedily ended.

TO ENCOURAGE DAIRYING

The Massachusetts Board of Agriculture offers liberal cash prizes in 1914 as follows: (1) For clean milk; (2) for best system of dairy-farm accounting; (3) for best systems of dairy-farm accounting in actual operation; (4) for plan of practical dairy barn; (5) for practical dairy barns in actual use; (6) for dairy-farm operations. Full particulars and entry blanks may be obtained from General Agent, Dairy Bureau, 136 State House, Boston.



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The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has received bequests of \$500 from Charles H. Greenwood, \$500 (additional) from Miss Alice M. Curtis, and \$387 from Mrs. Anne M. Sargent; also gifts of \$158.05 from "E. A. H.," \$100 from Mrs. Elbridge Torrey, \$25 each from Miss Nellie P. Carter, George G. Hall Company, and, for the Angell Memorial Building, in memory of "Sprite," from Mrs. Georgie Nichols Tanner, and \$20 from John O. Connor; and \$816.67, interest. The Society has been remembered in the wills of Martha V. Jones of Cambridge and Sarah A. Hamm of Boston.

The American Humane Education Society has received \$382.25 from the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Noble, \$125 from "one greatly interested in the 'Be Kind to Animals' movement," \$128.35 from "a co-worker" for the distribution of humane literature, \$100 from Mrs. Elbridge Torrey, \$30.31 (additional) from the bequest of Catherine N. Scott, \$30 from Public Schools of Ansonia, Connecticut, and \$116.42, interest.

Boston, April 15, 1914.

PROTECTION FROM FIRE

In pleading before the legislative committee for such stable conditions as would give the horse at least the ghost of a chance of escaping a horrible death in case of fire, we encountered the criticism of appealing to sentiment. That was just what we did not do. There was no need of it, in the sense in which the word is commonly used. We based our plea on the ground of justice, pure and simple. This faithful servant of man has helped him build his cities, his homes, his public buildings, has worked his farms, made possible the great harvests that have fed the world, and to shut him up in a stable at night where, should a fire break out, he would have to be roasted to death, is about as rank an act of injustice as one can conceive of.

Indeed we never plead for mercy for animals. Give them their rights. Treat them fairly and justly, and they will need nothing more. Men may well plead for mercy from Heaven, the animal may only ask justice from man. F.H.R.

FOR HORSE DAY IN MASSACHUSETTS

The second of June is National Horse Day. We want to have it widely celebrated this year over all the State. Will not every reader in every city, town and village of the Commonwealth help us? How? Write at once, upon reading this, say that you will serve as a committee of one, and will interest others, to induce every horse owner to put a tag on his horse's bridle, and to wear himself and furnish his drivers with buttons. The button is an attractive one bearing the words, "National Horse Day"—"When the Horse is King," and in the center a horse's head. The tag is similarly inscribed.

In most towns and cities children and others can sell these tags and buttons on the street, the proceeds to be used for any humane work. We will send the buttons and tags, postpaid, at what they cost us: buttons \$5 per 1000; \$2.50 for 500; 60 cents a hundred; the tags at 20 cents a hundred. It would be a noble service for anyone to buy these for distribution in his or her community. People would talk about it. The papers would call attention to it, and the horse get the benefit of it, as well as many a driver who might be led to be a kinder, and so, a better man. It is not too early to begin to plan for this.

We shall be glad to furnish buttons at the same rate to humane workers in any State, only orders should be sent in immediately. F.H.R.

THE PUBLIC ABATTOIR

Our bill, presented to the present Massachusetts legislature, asking for a commission to enquire into the wisdom of establishing abattoirs under state and municipal control, was not quite turned down. The Committee on Public Health referred it to the next General Court. This was done notwithstanding the evident sympathy of the Committee with the measure. To ask for new things is often to be disappointed. If our fathers got on in the old insanitary and outgrown ways why may not we? However, the next General Court will have to face the same measure, and its successor, and so on to the end of the chapter—or until something is done about it.

The national question of humane slaughtering, now under the direction of the American Humane Association, is temporarily awaiting the promise of cooperation by a government department whose assistance will do much to in ure the right issue.

F.H.R.

DO YOU CARE?

We are thinking of the women who read our magazines. We can reach, directly, few drivers and team owners. But the housewife to whom the butcher, and the baker, and the grocer, and the ice man, and the coal man, and the express man, and the parcel post man, bring their packages—she can keep an eye out for these drivers and their horses, say a kind word as to the claim of the horse for just treatment, let the driver know that she is interested in him and his horse, give him sometimes an apple for his horse, keep on hand a "Be Kind to Animals" button for him to pin on his coat.

F.H.R.

TO BUYERS OF HORSES

In order to prevent fraud and deception in the sale of horses, we have made the following contract with certain leading dealers:

They will sell a horse "worth the money" to any person recommended by us, and in case of any dispute arising from the sale, they will abide by our decision.

We make no charge for this service. Apply at our office, 15 Beacon Street, Room 27.

BOSTON WORK-HORSE PARADE ASSOCIATION.

HUMANE EDUCATION IN WORCESTER

For several months our representative has been going systematically and thoroughly through the Worcester schools (she is now working in the parochial schools), organizing the pupils into Bands of Mercy. She has had the heartiest cooperation of superintendent, school-board, principals and teachers. A remark, made in a street-car of that city by one who did not know of the work, is significant as to the results accomplished: A gentleman said to a friend, "I don't understand it, but it seems to me as if the attitude of our boys and girls toward animals had completely changed this winter."

To have reached by personal contact 25,000 children in a single community and to have had the chance to influence them in the direction of fair-play and kindness toward all life, human and sub-human, is an opportunity angels might covet.

F.H.R.

SAGINAW SCHOOL AUXILIARY

Michigan, during the last session of its legislature, passed a bill providing for humane education in all of its public schools. The Saginaw County Humane Society, anxious to have this work progress rapidly throughout Saginaw county, has given eight different pamphlets on humane education to all of the teachers throughout the city and county, and is also subscribing for Our Dumb Animals and the National Humane Review to be sent to each school for one year.

In connection with this work the School Auxiliary of the Saginaw County Humane Society has been organized. This was done by sending pledge cards relative to the humane treatment of animals throughout the county. The signing of these entitles any child to membership. The Auxiliary, which has been in existence only since February 20, 1914, already has 7158 members, and it is steadily growing. The officers of the Society, who have met with such ready response and cooperation from both teachers and pupils, are greatly encouraged and foresee much good to be accomplished through the united efforts and work of the members of the School Auxiliary.

MRS. SARAH K. BOLTON

Viewpoint of Dallas, Texas, in republishing the poem, "She Is Not Mine," contributed to Our Dumb Animals by Mrs. Bolton, adds this interesting comment upon the author, whom we are glad to number among the best friends of our Societies:

Sarah Knowles Bolton is a woman of great ability, known as a writer all over the country. She is also a woman who lives a useful, busy life, although abundantly able to live in luxury and idleness.

One of the great attractions about the many attractions of Cleveland, Ohio, is the absence of the cruelty to animals so common in many other cities. Of course, there are cases of it, because so long as the world lasts there will be ignorance and brutality, but as a rule horses, dogs, cats and cows are well sheltered, well fed and well treated in Cleveland.

Mrs. Bolton has always been one of the most indefatigable workers in this especial branch of education and culture, and her efforts resulted in making humane treatment of dogs, horses, cats and other animals a part of the civil code of her city. There are few foolish mad-dog scares there. If one begins, it is sensibly stopped, for experience has taught people there that hydrophobia is rarely met with, while "scares" are common and without foundation, and commonest among the ignorant.

In her humane work, Mrs. Bolton is cordially assisted by the women of Cleveland and the humane societies and all who believe in prevention of cruelty to our dumb animals.

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For rates of membership in both of our Societies and for prices of literature, see back pages. Checks should be made payable to the Treasurer.

GOD AND CRUELTY

We have all faced the question: How can this be a world created and governed by a good God when cruelties the most appalling and bitter, not only stain the pages of human history but appear to go unpunished? There is no satisfactory solution of the problem. That cruelty and pain are here we know. Personally we are equally as sure of the "good God." We have ceased to hold Him responsible for a thousand things of which men are guilty in the upward progress of the race. That He is infinitely kinder than we can possibly be, we believe. That He saw the end from the beginning, we believe; and that, in spite of all that now baffles and confounds us, His ways at last will be justified to men, that too we believe. It is ours to do our best to lessen the cruelty, the suffering, the injustice that confront us as a part of the life we must live, and having done our best, refuse to doubt or despair. F.H.R.

OUR SHAME

Nothing is more to our shame as a nation than the lynchings that still disgrace so many of our States. True, the last report is that one or two fewer colored men were shot, or run down by bloodhounds or strung up to trees, or otherwise murdered by their white fellow American citizens, in 1913 than during 1912. Still the record is humiliating beyond measure, not only because of the reproach it brings upon the land, but because of the brutal and fiendish cruelty of it.

F.H.R.

MORE FROM JERUSALEM

A prominent member of the Jerusalem S. P. C. A. sends us this letter of appreciation:

Dear Sir:

It was with great pleasure that members of the S. P. C. A. in Jerusalem read the very interesting article in your issue of January, on the work of the Society at Jerusalem. May I beg a few lines of your valuable space in which to say what a great debt we in Jerusalem owe in this respect to the unwearied and unselfish work of Mr. J. B. Barron, the first English Secretary of the Society. Not only was he ready at any and every hour to investigate personally any case reported to him, but his personal influence persuaded many of the natives to join and to support the Society, who would not otherwise have cared about it. Mr. Barron will long be remembered in connection with the S. P. C. A. in Jerusalem. We are fortunate in having as his successor Mr. S. Donnithorne, who is deeply interested in the work.

THE USE OF CHILDREN

The use of children in hospitals, or anywhere else, as material for experimentation is not to be tolerated for a moment, in our judgment, by any right-minded man or woman. Whatever is conscientiously done for the benefit of the child itself, to save it from disease or to lessen its suffering, though it may cause it temporarily more or less pain, is nothing against which objection should be made. But to use the child, even when no permanent harm may result to it, as a subject upon which to try out certain theories, or to test the efficacy of certain drugs, so long as this is not absolutely for the good of the individual child treated rather than for children in general, is abhorrent to the most of us. To cause a helpless baby one hour's distress, to say nothing of suffering, for the sake even of other children, when that baby has been brought to the hospital by its parents or guardians solely for what may be done for its benefit, we hold to be a breach of trust on the part of hospital authorities and physicians that hasn't the slightest defense either in morals, or in law.

We write these words not because we believe that any physician is so far fallen below the lowest levels of our common humanity as to inject into a defenseless child the active germs of a loathsome or possibly fatal disease, but because our moral sense is outraged at any treatment of the child such as we should refuse to permit were the child our own. We believe the universal assertion of parents would be that, if having taken their child to a hospital for treatment, they learned that it had been used for experimentation, though no lasting harm could come to it from the experiment, someone would pay the penalty for the unwarranted deed, if money or influence or, these failing, muscle, could reach far enough to find the offender. F.H.R.

THE OTHER SIDE

Our friend, Mr. Edward Fox Sainsbury, of France, writes us that the passage of the bird plumage law in this country, and the probable passage of a similar measure in England, is causing great distress in France where, it is said, more than 100,000 persons are employed in the plumage industry. It is but another illustration of how a bad business sooner or later is followed by disaster. Doubtless the vast majority of the workers in establishments where plumage is handled, prepared for market and sold, have never been led to think of their trade as allied with the sufferings and death of numberless millions of beautiful birds. Matters will adjust themselves in time, but for the present a hard situation is created for a multitude of working people.

BAND PAYS FOR WAGON SIGNS

The Band of Mercy in Millersburg, Pennsylvania, is promoting the "Be Kind to Animals" campaign by distributing the enamel signs for wagons advertised by the American Humane Education Society. They are purchasing these from the proceeds of the collections taken at their meetings. The signs have been placed on two delivery wagons (one owned by the mayor of the city), a rural delivery mail team, and two hotel cabs. The Band is expecting to order more signs soon, believing that they will serve to increase popular interest in Millersburg in the humane treatment of animals.

The Boston Ice Company has ordered nearly 1000 of our metal "Be Kind to Animals" signs for use on all their teams here.

Remember the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. when making your will

TO STOP CRUELTY IN PARIS

By EDW. FOX SAINSBURY

All over Paris one sees the mandate, "Soyez Bons pour les Animaux" ("Be Kind to Animals"). M. Hennion, the new prefect of police, is urging the importance of realizing this desideratum.

The movement to protect animals more effectively has been commenced. A permanent commission to meet once a month is to be organized, and to be composed, as it should be, of all classes. The presidents of the existing societies will meet the presidents of the master syndicates and the presidents of the workmen engaged in the transport business. This commission held its first meeting on February 12, M. Hennion, the prefect, presiding. In his speech he remarked that all were unanimous in the desire to protect in a more complete and effective manner the animals used in Paris. Continuing, M. Hennion said, "I am anxious to unite all the divers associations and interests and to arrive at an agreement as to the best methods to employ to reach a successful issue. I feel certain that success will crown our efforts as all have at heart the same object, the same desire and firm determination, and that our efforts will be fruitful in practical and positive results.'

The recent scandal at Nimes, where gross cruelty was used in destroying stray dogs, has stimulated public opinion and the authorities are taking measures to put down all cruelty with a firm hand.

Dieppe, France.

CITY ORDINANCE AGAINST CHECK-REIN

We congratulate the S. P. C. A. of Mobile, Alabama, upon its success in having that city adopt a model ordinance against the overhead checkrein. Action was taken in February, as follows:

Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Mobile.

Section 1—That it shall be unlawful within the corporate lines of the City of Mobile to use on any horse or mule, used for draft or driving purposes, what is commonly known as the "overhead checkrein" if so drawn as to cause the animal physical pain or discomfort, or checkreins of any kind which have a like effect.

Section 2—That the checkrein, of whatever description, used upon any such horse or mule, within the corporate limits of the City of Mobile, shall be loosened, and kept loosened, when the animal is standing, hitched or otherwise, so as to give the animal the free and comfortable use of its head.

Section 3—Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined by the recorder not less than two nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

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Guy Richardson, Editor.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day
of March, 1914.

(Seal) James R. Hathaway, Notary Public.

(My commission expires Nov. 1, 1918).

The Band of Mercy

Founders of American Band of Mercy GEO. T. ANGELL and REV. THOS. TIMMINS

PLEDGE

"I will try to be kind to all living creatures and try to protect them from cruel usage."

We send without cost to every person who forms a Band of Mercy of thirty members, and sends us the name chosen for the Band and the name and address of the president:

The monthly publication, Our Dumb Animals, for one year; twenty leaflets, containing pictures, stories, poems, etc.; copy of "Songs of Happy Life"; and an imitation gold badge for the president.

NEW BANDS OF MERCY

Five hundred and ninety-one new Bands were organized in March, of which 214 were in Massachusetts and 162 in schools of Rhode Island. The numerals show the number of Bands in each school or town:

Schools in Massachusetts

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Beverly: Hardie, 12.
New Bedford: W. Benjamin, 15; Acushnet, 11; Thos. A. Green, 9; Silvia Ann Howland, 4; Mary B. White, 4; Horatio A. Kempton, 7; Cedar St., 6; Harrington Memorial, 10; Betsey B. Winslow, 10; Thos. R. Rodman, 10; Fifth St., 10; Middle St., 11.
Newbury: Errorincetown, 19; Byfield, 4.
Provincetown: Provincetown, 19.
Truro: North Truro, 2; Longnook; Truro, 2.
Welffleet: Welfleet, 6.
Worcester: West Boylston St., 6; Trowbridgeville, 4; Jamesville, 2; Belmont, 17; North Pond, 2; Adams Sq., 5; Harlow St., 4; Valley Falls, 3; Burncoat Plain, 2; Blithewood, 2.

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Brookline, Massachusetts: Francis H. Rowley.
Dorchester, Massachusetts: Possumist Jr. Club.
Mansfield, Massachusetts: Henke.
Medford, Massachusetts: Lawrence.
Springfield, Massachusetts: Stebbins.
South Lancaster, Massachusetts: S. L. A.
Topsfield, Massachusetts: Carmichael.
Powdcishers Medica, Public School. 2 Bowdoinham, Maine: Public Schools, 3. Topsham, Maine: Free Baptist S. S., 9; Baptist S. S., 8.

Whitefield, New Hampshire: Stevens; Eureka.

Schools in Rhode Island

Middletown: Witherbee.
Portsmouth: Vancluse; McCorrie; Gibbs; Chase; Bris-

Portology 1 (1975) For the Arnold St., 9; Althea St., 8; Arnold St., 13; Providence: Greeley St., 9; Althea St., 8; Arnold St., 10; Cleary Grammar, 19; Tyler, 18; Thurber Ave., 10; Admiral St., 4; Putnam St., 9; Temple St., 11; Point St. Grammar, 16; Peace St. Grammar, 14.

Schools in Connecticut Hartford: Northwest, 29; Henry Barnard, 32. Rockville: East District, 11. Warehouse Point: County Home, 3.

New York
Amsterdam: Denice; Buckley.
Brooklyn: Brooklyn.
Esperance: Meadowland.
Fonda: Wood.
Fort Hunter: Cummings; Walker.
Fort Johnson: Marshall; Hope; Bedell.
Fultonville: Snyder; Owen.
Glen: Yoorhees. Glen: Voorhees. Hagaman: McCullough. Pattersonville: Cullings. Fairport, Ohio: Fairport. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Solotobb; Zipper; Sylk. North Branch, New Jersey: North Branch Greenwood, Delaware: Greenwood School, 4.

Schools in Maryland

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Berlin: Public, 7.
Frankford: Public, 2.
Glideltree: Public, 2.
Goldsboro: Goldsboro, 2.
Hillsboro: Hillsboro, 2.
Oueen Anne: Queen Anne, 2.
Ridgely: Ridgely, 7.
Sharptown: Sharptown No. 1; No. 2.
Snow Hill: Snow Hill Primary, 5.
Chincoteague, Virginia: Chincoteague School, 10.
Greenbackville, Virginia: Public Schools, 4.

Schools in South Carolina

Aiken: Martha Schoefield. Charleston: Simonton, 6. Vances: Vances. Port Orange, Florida: Port Orange.

McMinnville, Tennessee: L. T. L.

Prestonsburg, Kentucky: Prestonsburg Normal. Hastings, Michigan: Merciful.

Montello, Wisconsin: Dumb Animal Protectors; Procting Society; School District No. 6, Buffalo.

Sedalia, Missouri: Jefferson School, 4; Boy Scouts, Troup 1; Broadway School, 16; Horace Mann School, 7.

Marion, Kansas: Dickerson.
Colorado Springs, Colorado: Y. W. C. A. Girls Club.
Ivywild, Colorado: Ivywild.

Barber, Idaho: Barber.
Payette, Idaho: Band of Mercy.
Seattle, Washington: Puget Sound.

Total number Bands of Mercy, 91,506.



"TOODLES"

CIRCUS DAY

By HELEN M. RICHARDSON

A circus passed along the street today, And children followed, and the crowd pressed hard. There was a blare of trumpets, and the clowns Grimaced and grinned from chariot and from car. Cages there were where lions in unrest Paced as a convict in his prison cell Paces and pants for freedom. And a snake, Drugged into stupor, with a human form To guard its slumber. Tigers, too, were there From far-off jungles, caged within a space Scarce longer than their bodies, lithe of limb. Camels and elephants more freedom had Because, forsooth, no cage could bear their weight. I pondered as I viewed the motley crowd That gathered at the music's luring call To see these wild things, caged against their will,-If human progress in its onward stride Had far outgrown those old barbaric days That held a life to torture, but not kill.

To cage a thing God made to roam the wild. Teach it to fear the hand that wields the lash, Parade it through the street to gaping crowds,-Never again, till death brings it release, To let it know the freedom of an hour Unwatched, unguarded,-Ah, the price they pay,-These prisoners that parade on circus day!

"ALLEN"

By C. L. HINTON



NEVER was much of an admirer of cats, having formed the opinion that as a class they are animals that do not show the affection and gratitude displayed by the canine species. There are exceptions, however, to all rules, and the sub-

ject of this sketch was certainly far above any of his kind I ever knew. From earliest kittenhood he developed unusual traits of character. He never romped and played about as all kittens do, but gravely sat apart and watched the antics of his little sisters and brothers, nor could he be induced to join with them.

I never could keep our cats from committing petty thefts, getting on the table when no one was noticing, or encroaching on the cook's domain, thereby calling for correction. This would have no effect, and the same thing would be repeated whenever opportunity offered. "Allen" was never guilty of anything of this kind, and

he was never known to have any altercation with the dogs, and was on the best of terms with every member of the family. He possessed a charming personality which drew all towards him.

He had a beautiful yellow and white coat which he kept scrupulously clean, never allowing it to become soiled by coming into contact with the pots and kettles in the kitchen as did the others. No dandy could pay more attention to his personal appearance or look neater than he did. What greater praise need be accorded him when I say he was perfectly honest, clean, and possessed a lovable temper which enabled him to live amicably with all about him? All loved and petted him, but this did not spoil him in the least, and he maintained his unselfishness and sweetness of disposition to the end of his brief career.

There was a reticence and sadness about our little friend that always impressed me as something unaccountable. Coming events cast their shadow before, and maybe the tragedy that was so soon to befall him was already darkening his life. Who can tell? He was a great hunter, not confining himself to the prosaic work of rat catching, but making frequent forays into the fields and woods in quest of larger game. Rabbits and partridges succumbed to his prowess, and I am afraid this success in the field made him somewhat neglect his duty about the house and barn. This love of sport in the end proved his undoing. One day we missed him, but this was nothing unusual, but when several days passed and he failed to put in his appearance we grew uneasy, for he never remained from home more than one day at a time.

When at last he did come, what a woeful sight he presented, what a contrast to the jaunty Allen we last saw! On examination I found that one of his legs had been severed from his body, no doubt having been caught in that horrible device of civilized man, the infamous steel trap. What torture is inflicted on the animal tribe by the use of this devilish contrivance!

Every delicacy we could procure was offered the poor sufferer, but nothing could tempt him, and I saw there was no hope for him, as gangrene had set in. I mercifully put an end to his existence in as painless a way as I possibly could. There will never be another to fill his place; and often before the lamps are lighted, as I sit and gaze in the glowing embers, I think of my little friend who used to take his place in the chimney corner and purring contentedly also directed his looks towards the cheerful blaze as though he saw something there to appeal to him.





"PETER," THE SCHOOL CHILDREN'S PET

"Peter" was a pet crow owned by R. R. Sallows of Goderich, Ontario. In our illustration this clever bird is seen taking his lunch with his little mistress. He was a great favorite with everyone, even though he was fond of playing tricks with the neighbors' clothes-lines and in their gardens. He was especially fond of staying in the vicinity of the schools, to the delight of the children, who greatly enjoyed his hearty laugh and funny ways. Peter was quite a linguist, and used to perch on the window-sills of the school buildings and interrupt the work with his merry chatter.

Despite the fact that Peter was kept all winter in a warm attic to insure his comfort, he died recently, to the sorrow of all. We are indebted to J. A. Mitchell, editor of the Goderich Star, for this picture.

THE CHILDREN'S ELEPHANTS

The children of Boston are to be the happy owners of three fine elephants. The Boston *Post* is behind the plan and is deserving of great praise for its undertaking to release these noble animals from the hardships of travel and the continued performances at exhibitions, and at the same time cause them to become the property of the children of Boston and vicinity.

These elephants came to Boston as trick animals. Their owner wanted to go out of the business, was too fond of them to think only of the money side of it, and when the *Post* made an offer of \$6000, with the understanding that they should be turned over to the Zoological Park to find a comfortable home the rest of their lives, and that the children of this section should have a chance to buy them, the owner accepted the offer. Then the *Post* began the campaign. A page has been devoted each day to the matter and every child's name and his contribution have been published, together with many letters and interesting comments.

We do not believe in the captivity of wild animals, but since these elephants are here, and there is no opportunity to send them back to their native haunts (and doubtless that would be unwise now even if possible), we rejoice that they are to have such comforts as a well-managed zoological garden can give them. For their sakes we are delighted that there will be no more trains to catch, and no more weary journeys to make. What a relief to such travelers to think their good trunks have escaped forever the hands of the "baggage master!" F.H R.

THE BIRTHDAY GIFT

By LOUISE TAYLOR DAVIS

Last week I had a birthday, and my father said to me, "I'll give you anything you want. Now, son, what shall it be?

How would you like a phonograph?" But I just answered "No.

I'd rather have a puppy, 'cause a puppy loves you so!"

So then he laughed and said that he would try and get a pup,

And on my birthday morning, the minute I woke up, The fattest little furry dog was sitting on my bed! There's nothing in the world that I'd 'a rather had instead.

He follows me around all day and sleeps with me at night;

He loves to bark at me and growl, and then pertend to bite.

His little legs are wobbly, and he can't run fast, but oh!

I'm glad I've got that puppy, 'cause a puppy loves you so!

WHEN ANIMALS SLEEP

Elephants sleep standing up. When in a herd a certain number will always stand watch while the others sleep, for the big, powerful beasts are timid and cautious at night and will not go to sleep unguarded.

Bats sleep head downward, hanging by their hind claws. Birds, with few exceptions, sleep with their heads turned tailward over the back and the beak thrust beneath the wing. Storks, gulls and other long-legged birds sleep standing on

Ducks sleep on open water. To avoid drifting ashore, they keep paddling with one foot, thus making them move in a circle.

Foxes and wolves sleep curled up, their noses and the soles of their feet close together and blanketed by their bushy tail.

Lions, tigers and cat animals stretch themselves out flat upon the side. Their muscles twitch and throb, indicating that they are light and restless sleepers.

Owls, in addition to their eyelids, have a screen that they draw sideways across their eyes to shut out the light, for they sleep in the daytime.



A HELENA, ARKANSAS, TOT AND HIS PET GREYHOUND Sent by Editor James R. Turner of the Shield, for thirty years a reader of Our Dumb Animals.

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

For the Year Ending March 1, 1914

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The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

O those who read a report of our two Societies for the first time its brevity must be a striking feature. The explanation, however, is simple and should be made. Each month we issue in Our Dumb Animals a monthly record of the work accomplished or undertaken, and a report of all gifts with the names of the givers. Since nearly all who read this are readers of Our Dumb Animals a summary, therefore, like this answers every purpose and saves the expenditure of the large sum of money a voluminous and detailed report would involve.

The year now closing has been an eventful one for the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. by reason of

new fields of service entered, reference to which will be made later. The multitudinous and ordinary things that every such society must daily attend to have been looked after with all the fidelity at our command. The unending stream of complaints that pours into the office, day by day, now in the form of letters, now over the telephone, many anonymous, not a few of them the outcome of neighborhood grudges and the desire for revenge, is almost beyond belief. Hours and days are necessarily spent by agents following up groundless charges of cruelty. The chief agent's report below will indicate something of what has been done in this depart-

Inspection of Food Animals

The work of the stock-yards has been carried on with unabated vigor. All animals received by rail, or otherwise, either for sale, or slaughter, are inspected by our agents. Any that may be seriously injured are humanely put out of their suffering and others more or less crippled are given the care they need. For the twelve months 391,113 cattle, sheep and swine have passed under the eyes of those representing the Society, who have charge of this special service. These agents also visit the abattoirs and slaughter-houses and

use all means in their power to prevent the sufferings of food animals. This is one of the most exacting and laborious features of our work. It means exposure to all sorts of weather and untiring vigilance. It is little appreciated because few even stop to think about it, while if a horse is discovered in a pitiable condition anywhere in the State, there are many who say: "What is the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. doing, that this can be allowed?" They forget how varied our work is and how large the territory that must be covered. The twenty-six agents of the Society, seventeen under full pay and nine under part pay, of course can only partially cover the State. As fast as the money is available we add to the list of those who are paid for their entire time. Five hundred would not be too many if we could afford them. Their salaries and expenses, however, are among the heaviest burdens of the Society. They must be thoroughly competent men, and when they are con-

stantly traveling from place to place this means a large expenditure in the course of a year. The agent in Springfield as in Worcester should have a competent assistant.

The New Dispensary

The last of July we decided to open a Free Dispensary for animals. A suitable location was found at 73 Central Street, Boston. One veterinarian is in attendance forenoons, one afternoons. A young lady has charge of the office and keeps all the records. This has been found to meet a very real need, particularly among people who cannot afford to employ a competent veterinarian. Since its opening to

forward with faith in those generous and loyal friends of our cause who have never disappointed us yet.

We must raise at least one hundred thousand dollars more. That time will justify the building of this Hospital as a Memorial to the founder of our Societies and a home for their enlarging services both to the State and the nation we do not for a moment doubt.

A New Law

We had the good fortune last year to secure the passage of a law forbidding the private sale of such horses as it would be a violation of the anti-cruelty statutes to work. The public sale

of such horses has long been forbidden. Several convictions have already been obtained under the act. One of the chief advantages, however, has been that, rather than stand trial for the offense, the majority of "horse sharpers" have been willing to refund the purchase money to their victims and give up the horse to be humanely destroyed.

Worn-out Horses

During the year we have caused to be painlessly put to death 1661 old and unfit horses. In cases where the owners have been very poor, or swindled by some knave, or to save a prosecution, we have paid for a horse, a small sum, seldom more, often less, than five dollars. The total net cost to us in purchasing such horses has been \$399.00, an average cost for the entire 1661 horses of a little under twenty-five cents apiece. Every horse condemned and ordered destroyed, besides those our own agents person-ally put out of the way, is kept under observation until the receipt is given, describing the animal and confirming his death, by the people to whom such horses are sent. It will be seen that in the great majority of cases we do not have to buy these poor victims of man's hard usage. They are generally delivered to us by their owners who are glad

to escape a prosecution, though when the abuse has been evident and wilful many a man has been summoned to court where he has had to

pay the penalty for his cruelty.

We have been instrumental in sending to Red Acre Farm several old horses for whose board someone has been glad to be responsible. Few things bring us more satisfaction than the consciousness that every day some of these worn-out but patient servants of mankind are released from the drudgery and suffering that have made their way so weary, and their lot so hard. We are always glad to receive money for this work as not infrequently it makes it possible to end the long journey for some tired horse before he could be taken from his owner by law.



The first legislation ever sought, so far as we know, to protect horses from fire, has been embodied in two bills we have had before the



March 1st, seven months, there have been treated 3079 animals, classified as follows: 701 horses, 1195 dogs, 1038 cats, 100 birds, 45 unclassified. The cost has been about \$200.00 per month. Many cases are treated by correspondence.

The Angell Memorial Animals' Hospital

The Dispensary has demonstrated the need of this institution beyond controversy. Ground was broken early last autumn at which time appropriate services were held. The work has progressed as rapidly as the weather has permitted. The foundations are laid and the steel work is being placed. We can hardly expect the building to be ready for occupancy before January of 1915. The hope had been that the money necessary might be in sight before the undertaking was begun. The directors, however, deemed it wise to start with the funds on hand, or to be actually counted upon, and go

Legislature, one last year and one this year. The bill would make conditions such in stables where more than six horses are kept that their peril in case of fire would be greatly lessened. Copies of this bill can be had by other Societies on application.

Horse Vacations

Through the generosity of gracious friends of the Society, we were able last summer to give a rest in the country to twenty-seven city horses whose owners were too poor to send them away and pay their board while hiring others to take their places. The vacations lasted from two to four weeks according to circumstances. These horses were sent to the Weld Farm where they had the pasture by day and the best of care by night, being treated just as well as any of the highest-class equine boarders at this well-known country estate.

Summer Watering Stations

To our nine watering stations throughout the city last year we added a watering cart drawn by two of the handsomest draft-horses in Boston.

This beautiful team, with open blinders which we easily persuaded the owner to try after the first week, traveled to many sections where the congested condition of traffic made the establishment of a station impossible. It was greatly appreciated by the drivers and owners of teams. The cost for this was five-dollars-and-a-half a day, but we believe the money was well expended. All told, we watered from near the middle of June till into September, seventy-four working days, 243,673 horses.

Fountains

We regret exceedingly the action of the Massachusetts Bureau of Animal Industry in closing the fountains in Boston. This was done, it was claimed, to lessen the danger from glanders. But to close them in Boston and leave them open in adjoining towns and suburbs amounts to little. London has nearly wiped out this plague, and so has Canada, and not closed a fountain. Blacksmith shops, old sales-stables and boarding-stables, and careless inspection of animals coming in from other States are vastly more responsible for glanders than are fountains. The Jenks fountain, particularly, which we thoroughly believe in, and of which there are a number in Boston, can, in our judgment, be used with entire safety.

National Horse Day

A beginning was made by us last year in instituting the observance of this day in Massachusetts. Correspondence with owners of horses, the Team Owners' Association, and others who cooperated with us, resulted in the distribution of 16,300 tags and 14,600 buttons. Enough were glad to pay for these so that the expense to us was practically nothing. We trust this year to extend the observance of the day over the entire State.

Moving Pictures

During the year arrangements were made with a syndicate representing nearly all the moving picture houses of this State, whereby our moving picture film, which advertises the Angell Memorial Hospital and illustrates many phases of the work of the two Societies, is being exhibited in almost every city and town of the Commonwealth. The educational value of this is scarcely to be estimated.

The Boston Branch

Through the activity and interest of Miss Dorothy Forbes, 107 Commonwealth Avenue, this city, there has just been organized the Boston Branch of the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. The purpose of this Branch is to enlist the cooperation of the largest number of people possible in the Society's work, and to lead them to observe particularly such horses as should be reported to the Society's headquarters because of cruelty and neglect or as worn-out and so entitled to a merciful release from work. The Branch has its own attractive badge, its cards of membership and instruction. The fee is the small sum of one dollar.

The Lecture Course

A course of lectures by twelve of the leading veterinarians of the East, one of them coming from Canada, was planned in connection with the Harvard Medical School. The general subject was the "Diseases of Our Domestic Animals." The aim of the course was to instruct the owners of animals within and about Boston

in the proper care and treatment of their horses, cattle, dogs, cats, etc. This was a new departure, and we doubt if it has ever been attempted before on so large a scale. The Medical School furnished the lecture hall and assisted largely in securing the ablest available lecturers.

In this connection it may be said that in addition to many addresses that the President has made during the year upon the work of one or both of our Societies, the Secretary has given twenty stereopticon lectures, six of them being in New Hampshire and one in Maine. An address was also given by him before a district Teachers' Institute in New Hampshire.

Smaller Animals

The Society employs a very competent agent, a woman, a great lover of animals, who spends her entire time calling for such smaller animals as we are requested to send for. Homes are found for many of these. Some are taken to the

Ellen Gifford Home, and the rest are painlessly put to sleep with chloroform.

Trapping

A year ago we sent a man into the Maine woods with the photographic equipment to secure genuine reproductions of the scenes of cruelty involved in trapping. It was an expensive piece of work, but we believe the photographs brought back of animals dead in steel traps, or suffering the torments of these brutal instruments of torture, and the illustrated pamphlet which was made possible, have provided the most forcible and telling indictment of the traffic in the skins of our more common fur-bearing animals that has ever appeared. The camera tells its own dreadful and appealing story.

Humane Slaughtering

Perhaps there is no such thing. So long, however, as men demand animal flesh for food, every man and woman with a sense of justice alive in the soul, is morally bound to see that these victims of man's appetite meet death in as

painless a manner as possible. We are glad to say that from nearly every state in the Union have come letters from earnest workers promising help in this most important campaign. Many have interested hundreds of their friends to sign and mail us protests against the present cruel methods.

At last the American Humane Association has taken the conflict up as a national issue, and we are cooperating with them in every possible way toward the reform which is aimed against more abuse and illtreatment of animal life than all other forms of cruelty combined.
Correspondence with members of Congress, with the Department of Agriculture and influential interests, whose support we must have, is at present preparing the way for what we believe will result at last in changing present conditions.

The Public Abattoir

Here in Massachusetts we have introduced a bill before the Legislature urging the appointment of a Commission to enquire into the wisdom of establishing public abattoirs in this Commonwealth, as has been done so largely in Europe. Only by these institutions, under state or municipal control, can we ever close up the thousands of country slaughter pens that are

haunts of cruelty, and that are beyond description in the vileness of their insanitary surroundings. Our bill may be no more than a beginning, but soon, or late, the public abattoir will be regarded as a vitally essential feature of every civilized community.

Henry B. Hill

We record here the death, at the advanced age of 89, of our former Treasurer and Director, the Honorable Henry B. Hill. Long and faithfully had Mr. Hill served our Societies. His name, his character, his presence in our offices, were elements of strength which were sincerely appreciated.

Death also took from our Board of Directors this past year two honored members, Mr. Elbridge Torrey and Mr. G. Arthur Hilton. Both will be missed from our monthly meetings which they attended whenever their health

permitted.

II.

The American Humane Education Society

Twenty-five years ago this month (March, 1914), the American Humane Education Society was founded, the first of its kind in the world. It is beyond our power to estimate the work accomplished both at home and abroad during this past quarter of a century. Besides several special workers in the United States, we now have corresponding representatives in England, Holland, France, Switzerland, Turkey, Chili, Guatemala, Mexico and Cuba, through whom much of our literature has been distributed.

Workers at Home

In our own country we have two women working in California: Mrs. Alice L. Park, who is constantly addressing teachers' institutes, conventions and other public gatherings, and who maintains also a very active humane press bureau for the western states; and Mrs. Rachel C. Hogue, who is devoting her time to organizing Bands of Mercy, or Junior Humane Leagues, as she terms them, in Southern California. In Idaho Mrs. Jennie R. Nichols is extremely active in making addresses, organizing Bands of Mercy, and interesting influential people in the humane cause. She is also engaged in the practical work of the protection of animals and is accomplishing remarkable results. Her recent protest against the "stampede" as a feature of entertainment at fairs has succeeded in arousing a humane sentiment to an extent which, it is hoped, will result in the abolition of this cruel form of amusement. Mrs. Nichols is striving to secure a humane education law for Idaho. In Ohio Mrs. Virginia S. Mercer is engaged in talking before schools and organizing Bands of Mercy.

Among Our Colored Friends

The work in the South, carried on by the Rev. Richard Carroll and Mrs. E. L. Dixon, of Columbia, South Carolina, is one of our most promising endeavors. Mr. Carroll, a gifted speaker, is constantly giving addresses before all classes of people. Mrs. Dixon devotes her time to speaking before schools and organizing Bands of Mercy, addressing various kinds of gatherings such as mothers' meetings, ministerial associations, etc., and in carefully distributing our literature wherever she has opportunity. Voluntary resolutions, endorsing the work of Mrs. Dixon, were unanimously passed at a recent conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

Public School Teachers

Our activities in the South are not confined to the several States covered by these two representatives. We recently circularized all the superintendents of schools in South Carolina, Florida and Tennessee, asking their cooperation in helping us to distribute humane literature to their teachers. We also wrote to the presidents of fourteen normal and industrial schools, asking permission to send literature to the members of their graduating classes. The request met with a most cordial response.

Organizing New Societies

The American Humane Education Society has also cooperated financially with the Louisiana State S. P. C. A., in order that the organization of humane societies, chiefly through the splendid efforts of Miss Louise H. Guyol, might be extended into States bordering on Louisiana, as well as to stimulate further the interest in that State.

"Be Kind to Animals" Campaign

The Society has recently started a "Be Kind to Animals" campaign which has been received with enthusiasm all over the country. Our first supply of 25,000 buttons (bearing the motto, "Be Kind to Animals," and also pictures in colors of the head of a horse, a dog, a cat, and two birds) was exhausted within a few weeks after it was received. Orders were received from humane societies and individuals throughout the entire country. After distributing about 50,000 of these buttons we adopted a new design, much more attractive than the first. One of the leading department stores in Boston purchased 100,000 of these buttons, as a beginning, to be given out by them gratuitously. We hope to dispose of at least 1,000,000 of these attractive badges of kindness during the present year. Hundreds of pennants, to be sewn on horse blankets, and enamel signs, to be placed on wagons, both bearing the slogan, "Be Kind to Animals," have also been distributed, and are carried in stock to be disposed of at cost, wherever wanted.

Quantities of Literature Distributed

The American Humane Education Society has continued its policy of sending literature, without charge, for distribution at fairs, teachers' institutes, conventions, and other gatherings. At the Animals' Healtheries and Utilities Exhibition and Conference, held in London last spring, our Society had a large exhibit of literature. An assortment of literature, photographs, and other matter was also sent to the Yokohama (Japan) S. P. C. A., for exhibition purposes at a conference held in that city. Our literature tables were a conspicuous and much-patronized feature at the Convention of the American Humane Association in Rochester, New York.

In France and Belgium

M. Perinet of Geneva, Switzerland, is working steadily to increase the Band of Mercy movement on the Continent, and has met with marked success in France, where he has received able assistance. Many Bands have been organized in that country, and it seems only a question of time when they will be officially established in all the schools (both public and private) of that Republic. In Belgium, where M. Perinet has been in communication with the Minister of Public Instruction, a few Bands have been organized, with the promise of more when the movement once gets well under way. Pamphlets on the Band of Mercy idea, in German and in French, have been printed and distributed by M. Perinet.

Last summer a special plea was made for the organization of Bands in the schools of Italy, and in Piedmont a beginning was made, ninety-seven Bands with a membership of 15,900 being the result.

In Turkey Mrs. Alice W. Manning has found it very difficult to carry on the humane work because of the unsettled condition of affairs, as the result of the war. Things are now looking brighter and it is hoped that much can be accomplished.

90,000 American Bands of Mercy

Up to the present time over 90,000 Bands of Mercy have been formed since the first one was organized in America in 1882. During the past year Bands have been reported from thirty-five states, from several provinces in Canada, from

Newfoundland, Cuba, Porto Rico, Chili and Turkey, the number of Bands approximating 4000.

"Our Dumb Animals"

So constant has been the demand for *Our Dumb Animals* for use by humane workers, that never before has there been a year when such large orders for subscriptions have been received from humane societies and school authorities. In addition to subscribing for schools, some societies have also ordered the magazine to be sent to fire companies, livery stables, etc. In several instances we have received large orders from individuals for this same purpose. Last summer, several hundred bound volumes of *Our Dumb Animals* were presented to hotels in New England, and some were sent even farther afield.

Steady Demand for "Black Beauty"

"Black Beauty" retains its popularity as the "best seller" of all humane books published, either by us or others, as the constant demand for new editions of it testifies. Specimen orders during the year include one from the publisher of an educational journal in Tennessee, for 600 copies, to be sent to teachers in his State; and another from a superintendent of schools in Connecticut for a like quantity. When asked about the progress of humane education in New Hampshire, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction told our Secretary that "Black Beauty" was read in practically every school in that State. Copies of "Black Beauty" (as well as other humane literature) in Spanish, have been sent to Guatemala and we have received word of the great good it is doing there. It has been placed in boarding schools, and instances have been cited of how the story is being told, by their more fortunate brothers, to the natives who cannot read.

Thousands of our five special humane books have been circulated throughout the country, chiefly for use in schools. Over 2500 copies have been distributed by Miss Mary C. Yarrow alone; and 1000 copies were purchased by the Humane Society of Columbus, Ohio, for use at Christmas.

Spanish Work

Through the interest and generosity of Miss Mary Craige Yarrow of Philadelphia, our series of Humane Education Leaflets (Numbers 1 to 8) has been translated into Spanish, for distribution chiefly in Chili and the Canal Zone. Another phase of our work among the Spanish-speaking peoples is the distribution in Cuba of our "Be Kind to Animals" buttons, with the reading in Spanish. The button also bears the words, "Bando de Piedad" (Band of Mercy). We were enabled to have 20,000 of these buttons made, through the generosity of friends interested in the work in Cuba, to be distributed by that untiring worker for the cause in Havana, Mrs. Jeannette Ryder.

Traveling Libraries Appreciated

Our traveling humane libraries, consisting of thirty volumes, are still in circulation throughout the country, and in nearly every instance the recipients write asking for an extension of time, as the books are very popular and are known to have a strong influence for good among their

Finances of Both Societies

The treasurer's report can be summarized as follows:

The total receipts of the Massachusetts S. P. C. A. for the year, including bequests, were \$121,739.59, of which \$27,584.40 was designated as for the permanent fund, the interest only to be used. The total expenses were \$85,166.65, leaving a balance, after the transfer of the designated fund, of \$8988.54.

The total receipts of the American Humane Education Society were \$27,273.75, of which \$4985.33 was designated as for the permanent fund, the interest only to be used. The total expenses were \$27,636.67, the deficit being

\$362.92.

The Societies gratefully acknowledge the support accorded them by their many friends, particularly during a hard financial year.

FRANCIS H. ROWLEY,

President.

REPORT OF CHIEF PROSECUTING OFFICER

Number of complaints received	16,388
Number of animals examined	57,419
Number of fish peddlers' and hawk-	
ers' horses examined	5376
Number of prosecutions	339
Number of convictions	316
Number of horses taken from	
work	1788
Number of worn-out or injured	
horses humanely destroyed	1661
Number of horses watered during	
summer of 1913	243,673
Cattle, sheep and swine examined	
at the stock-yards	391,113
Sick or injured cattle, sheep and	
swine killed at stock-vards	874

SPECIMEN CASES

No. 1. Two master teamsters were summoned to court, charged with inflicting unnecessary cruelty upon a horse, which was badly galled. The driver was released but the owners were fined \$50 each, the court holding them accountable.

No. 2. A man residing in Boylston abandoned a horse in a field, tying him to a tree and leaving him to starve. After two days the animal was found nearly dead. The man left town, but later returned, was arrested, and sent to jail for two months.

No. 3. A man living in Brighton was arraigned for extreme cruelty to a cat. He kicked her from his door into the street, where an officer destroyed her to relieve her suffering. For this offense the defendant paid a fine of \$40.

No. 4. A driver was seen with a horse attached to an express wagon, drawing a heavy load of scrap iron. The man had an inch-and-a-half iron pipe three feet long, with which he was beating the horse over the back. Our agent was notified and he and a police officer arrested the driver who, on the following day, was sentenced to the House of Correction for two months.

No. 5. A farmer in Hampden County was found guilty of cruelly dragging a bull on the ground and a fine of \$50 was imposed.

No. 6. For beating and torturing a dog, a New Bedford man paid a fine of \$20.

No. 7. For promoting a cock-fight and being present, a prominent farmer in a suburb of Boston paid a fine of \$100. Twenty-five cocks were destroyed by order of the court.

No. 8. For disposing of a worn-out horse at private sale, a dealer was convicted and paid a fine of \$50. This horse had been "doped" for the purpose of covering up a severe lameness.

No. 9. A man in Charlestown, in attempting to rob the driver of a vegetable wagon, struck his horse with a hammer, inflicting several cuts and bruises. He was convicted and fined \$20.

No. 10. Two men in Fall River were arrested by our agent, charged with cruelly overdriving a horse. While only one was driving, both were held accountable and each was fined \$30.

No. 11. A dealer in live poultry was charged with cruel transportation of fowl by overcrowding in crates, one fowl being dead and others lying on their backs. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50.

No. 12. Two young men were arrested for driving a horse to death. One was sentenced to the House of Correction for four months, the other was returned to the Reformatory from which he had been previously released on parole.

No. 13. Two horse dealers were charged with selling to a farmer in Maine a poor worn-out horse, substituting him for the one purchased. Both men were fined \$50 each, after being obliged to refund the purchase money amounting to \$85.

No. 14. A blacksmith held a grievance against the owner of a horse, and when this horse was sent to him to be shod he wilfully drove a nail into the foot of the horse, causing great suffering and lameness, for which dastardly act the court imposed a fine of \$50. He should have been imprisoned for a year.

No. 15. For permitting the use of horses suffering from sore backs, galled shoulders and general debility, divers owners of teams and carriages were fined in sums varying from \$20 to \$50.

The directions to all our prosecuting agents are that it is always better when possible to convert men from cruelty than to convict them in the courts, and that the test of a Society's usefulness is not the number of its prosecutions, but the number of acts of cruelty it is able to prevent.

JAMES R. HATHAWAY, Chief Agent

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OUR DOGWOOD TREE

By SARAH K. BOLTON

Quiet and stately amidst the green. A dainty picture for all to see, Fit for the bridal of a queen, Stands our beautiful dogwood tree.

Waxy petals of snowy white, Tufted centers of golden hue, Veined leaves shimmering in the light Of a May day sun, in a sky of blue.

Long ago from a distant wood, We brought to our home anear the lake This twig: the Giver of all things good, Planted it there for His children's sake

The lovely blossoms will come and go; The berries will redden in autumn time: For years and years it will live and grow, When the owner has passed to another clime.

Veterinary Column MANAGEMENT MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE MENERALENE

Question: My horses are troubled a great deal with sore necks. Will you be kind enough to suggest a course of treatment?

Answer: Remove the cause by equalizing the bearing in having good fitting collars. Make the collar fit the horse, not the horse fit the collar. After working, clean the collar thoroughly each night, scraping all accumulated dirt from same. Apply the following mixture freely to the shoulders after the day's work is done:

Camphor 1 ounce Witch-hazel . . . 6 ounces Alcohol, add to make 12 ounces

Question: I have a three-year-old colt whose shoulders seem to be shrinking away. I am informed that this disease is sweeny. Will you kindly tell me the cause and the treatment?

Answer: Sweeny, so-called, is a wasting of the muscles of the shoulder blade. It is the direct result of an injury to the pre-scapula nerve, controlling said muscle. It is caused from a badly fitting collar or working the animal too hard. Treatment consists in the application of any stimulating liniment and massaging the region of the nerve twice a day. Gentle exercise is advisable if the horse is not lame. When lameness is present, absolute rest is essential.

Question: I have a small fox terrier and the past three days she has been vomiting almost continuously. She is six years of age and has not partaken of a mouthful of food during this spell. Will you kindly suggest a treatment? M. A. W.

Answer: The symptoms you describe are indicative of acute gastritis, which is an inflammation of the lining of the stomach. This may be the direct result of overfeeding, or the presence of a foreign body in the stomach. A cathartic should be given. I would recommend syrup of cascara sagrada in teaspoonful doses twice a day until results are obtained. To allay the irritability of the stomach the following prescription has given excellent results:

Subnitrate of bismuth 1 dram Camphorated tincture opium 1 dram Elixir of pepsin dram 1 ounce Glycerine Add cinnamon water to make 11 ounces

Give one teaspoonful on tongue every two hours until vomiting ceases.

Question: Will you kindly recommend a mild thartic for a cow?

O. C. cathartic for a cow?

Answer: Glauber's salts, two tablespoonfuls in the feed twice a day.

Note: The Society's veterinarian will be glad to answer questions relative to the treatment of sick or injured animals. Replies will be published whenever practicable.

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